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## GREGORY CABLES ASKING WHITNEY TO REMAIN JUDGE

Circuit Court Jurist Given Re-appointment on Decision of Attorney-General—News Comes as Distinct Surprise and General Gratification

### ANSWERS BY CABLE WILL ACCEPT REAPPOINTMENT

Presidential Action is Expected Immediately—Report That Judges Matthewman and Parsons of Hawaii Will Also Be Reappointed at Near Date

William L. Whitney, second judge of the first circuit, will remain upon the bench. He has been offered re-appointment by Attorney-General Gregory, has cabled his acceptance, and probably by this time President Wilson has signed his commission.

Events in judiciary circles are moving now with surprising swiftness, and in some ways the greatest surprise of all is the reappointment of Judge Whitney.

Early this morning he received the following cablegram:

"Washington, D. C., Aug. 14.  
"Hon. Wm. L. Whitney, Circuit Court, Honolulu:

"After further consideration and investigation I have concluded that probably the wisest course for me to pursue would be to make no change in your court. Would you accept reappointment if offered? Cable answer quickly.

"GREGORY, Attorney-General."  
In reply Judge Whitney cabled "Yes" and the cable bore the message back to Washington within a short time of the hour when the offer came.

This request of the attorney-general is equivalent to reappointment for the president, who appoints the Hawaii judges, is following the department of justice's recommendations, and Gregory's decision is understood to be virtually final. Therefore it is believed that the president will announce the appointment late today or Monday.

Surprise to Mr. Whitney.  
The attorney-general's cablegram came as a distinct surprise to Judge Whitney. It is no secret that he had no hopes of reappointment nor did he make any move to secure appointment with such an idea. A few weeks ago, as local people remember, Judge Whitney, growing tired of serving on a day-to-day plan, his term having long expired, insisted on action. At that time and since the department of justice had plainly manifested its intention not to recommend him for reappointment.

In fact, the attorney-general's statement is understood to have been that Judge Whitney need have no hope of reappointment. He had already made arrangements to enter private practice with a well-known Honolulu firm. His Record the Deciding Factor.

That Judge Whitney's record was the deciding factor in his case, as Chief Justice Robertson's was in the supreme bench reappointment yesterday, is the conclusion drawn from recent events.

The Star-Bulletin states on unquestionable authority that two well-known Democrats here were asked if they would be in a position to take the appointment and both of them expressed their willingness to do so. Evidently the department of justice, after full consideration, has decided that Judge Whitney is by all odds the best man for the position.

As in the case of the Robertson re-appointment, merit and record have triumphed over party considerations and the department of justice has put aside party politics in order to benefit the Hawaiian bench.

Matthewman and Parsons May Be Next.  
It is reliably reported that Judge Matthewman of the third circuit and Judge Parsons of the fourth circuit will also be reappointed, the reasons

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## ROSARIANS WILL GET INVITATIONS FROM ALL HAWAII

Invitations to the Royal Rosarians of Portland to visit Hawaii next February were sent out on the last mail by the Pan-Pacific Club, the Trail and Mountain Club and the Mid-Pacific Magazine. These invitations are a part of the series sent in conjunction by representative Hawaii men and organizations. The Rosarians plan to come here in a specially chartered vessel.

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## SAYS CONGRESS SURE TO REPEAL SEAMEN'S BILL

J. M. Shoonmaker, Vice President of New York Central, Declares Law Unpopular

### IS NOT CERTAIN ABOUT WILSON'S REELECTION

Personally President is Popular But People Blame Democratic Policies for Hard Times

That the Seamen's Bill will be repealed by the next Congress almost as soon as that body gets in session, is the firm belief of the businessmen of the eastern coast, according to J. M. Shoonmaker of Pittsburgh, Pa., vice-president of the New York Central lines. Mr. Shoonmaker, with a party of 10, is stopping at the Moana hotel.

"We feel in the East, just about the same as you do here in regard to the bill," says Mr. Shoonmaker. "People are disgusted with it. There is no doubt that it was a move made with the view of strengthening the administration, and since it has met with such disfavor, everybody believes that the next Congress will hasten to repeal it."

As to the reelection of President Wilson, Mr. Shoonmaker says that the question is an uncertain one. While a vast number of people are not in sympathy with the free trade policy which brought about a state of hard times that was only bettered by the great war trade which sprang up at the crucial moment, President Wilson's strength with the people, as a man, cannot be overlooked, he says.

"The people believe that his policy with Germany has been a wise one, now that the excitement of the Lusitania has died down," says Mr. Shoonmaker. "They realize that he has had a great responsibility upon his shoulders, which he has carried extremely well, and the personal admiration for him is very deep."

"The people in general do not feel that an actual invasion of Mexico should be attempted, owing to the fact that all of the warring bands would probably unite to oppose the United States, rather than that any one of them should welcome intervention."

"Business conditions everywhere are growing better all the time," continued Mr. Shoonmaker, "and the people realize that the country must be kept out of war if possible. All the great steel concerns are busy filling war orders. In fact the orders for war supplies have about driven out business in peace commodities in the steel factories."

Mr. Shoonmaker mentioned as an example the American Locomotive Company, which has contracted for the furnishing of \$63,000,000 worth of munitions, and has practically abandoned the making of locomotives until the war is over.

Mr. Shoonmaker wears a G. A. R. button, though he doesn't look old enough to have fought in the 60s. During the Civil War he saw 13 months' service in the ranks, and the rest of the time served in all the grades of a non-commissioned officer, and on to the position of colonel under Gen. Sheridan. He has the distinction of being the youngest colonel in the federal army.

"Congress was kind enough to give me a medal of honor for a charge I led at Winchester," said Mr. Shoonmaker, "but for goodness' sake don't mention that."

After the review of the army at Washington, Col. Shoonmaker was sent out on the plains and saw service against the Indians at Fort Leavenworth and other posts. He knew Gen. Custer very well, and was commissioned in his regiment at the time it was sent to the Little Big Horn. Owing to serious illness of his father, however, he was released from the commission, and thus escaped the Custer massacre.

Already he has met in Honolulu a great many army friends, who, he says, are making his stay delightful. The Shoonmaker party, which includes Mrs. Shoonmaker, a son and daughter, and friends, arrived on the Niagara and will return to the coast on the Makura, August 20. All of the members are enjoying Honolulu at present, and are resting up for a trip to the volcano next week. On Monday a trip is to be taken around this island.

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## HAWAII STARVES AS RESULT OF REVOLUTIONS

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 14.—Rear-Admiral Caperton, in command of the naval forces sent to restore order in Haiti, reports that Haiti is "destitute through lack of crops and industry."

The Red Cross cabled \$1000 today for relief.

## URGE WILSON TO CALL CONGRESS TO REPEAL BILL

Local Chamber of Commerce to Ask National Chamber to Help Fight Seamen's Act

### TWO P. M. SHIPS TO GO ONTO PANAMA ROUTE

Special Session Suggested to Relieve Tie-Up of Shipping Caused by New Law

### ANNOUNCEMENT

In conformity with instructions received by cable from the Vice-President and General Manager, San Francisco, we are constrained to announce that the transpacific service of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company will terminate with the arrival at San Francisco of the following steamers on or about the dates given:

Ship	Ar. San Francisco
Steamer. nolulu.	Sept. 6, 1915
Siberia	Sept. 13, 1915
China	Sept. 27, 1915
Manchuria	Oct. 4, 1915
Mongolia	Oct. 23, 1915

"Not calling at Honolulu."  
These five ships are sold to the Atlantic Transport Company for the Atlantic service. The British steamer Persia will perform voyages 24 and 25, which means that the steamer will call at Honolulu, besides her present homeward voyage on or about August 21, on September 18 and December 4, outward bound, and on November 9 and January 25, 1916, homeward bound.

All passenger bookings and freight reservations outward beyond the S.S. Mongolia, August 25 from San Francisco and August 31 from Honolulu, with the exception of those made for the S.S. Persia from Honolulu September 18 and December 4, and homeward beyond the S.S. Manchuria September 28, 1915, must of necessity be cancelled.

Outward reservations thus affected will be gladly transferred to the British S.S. Persia if agreeable to interested parties.

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(Associated Press by Fed. Wireless.)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 14.—With the sale of the Pacific Mail liners to the Atlantic Transport Company of West Virginia, it is announced here that the liner Siberia and Korea will probably go into the Atlantic trade.

A nation-wide appeal to every chamber of commerce and board of trade in the United States having memberships in the National Chamber of Commerce, to urge President Wilson to call a special session of Congress to repeal the Seamen's Act and save Hawaii's tourist trade and commercial life, will receive its initial impulse Wednesday afternoon, when the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce will hold a meeting of its members.

The Honolulu chamber is a member of the national organization, which is now taking a referendum of its 600 branches throughout the United States to see whether the national body shall take up a fight for repeal of the Seamen's Act, or not institute such action. The referendum will reach here next week to be voted on Wednesday by the Honolulu chamber.

"What I should like to see and what I shall suggest at Wednesday afternoon's meeting," said Secretary Raymond C. Brown of the chamber this morning, "is to petition the president of the United States through every chamber of commerce and board of trade in this country, to call a special

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## BERNDT ENTHUSES OVER BRINGING OF HUGE LINER HERE

Just as soon as enough members of the Promotion Committee are in town to provide a quorum, a meeting will be called for the purpose of issuing an invitation to C. E. Stone, Great Northern steamship official, to come to the islands and "talk business" in the matter of placing the Great Northern on the run between Honolulu and coast cities.

This was the information given out by Chairman Berndt of the Promotion Committee today, who said that, following the issuing of the invitation, the matter would be formally placed before the Chamber of Commerce as a matter of general public interest.

Mr. Berndt, who is very enthusiastic over the chances of the Great Northern being placed on the Honolulu trade, states that recent advice from San Francisco say that this move on the part of the steamship company is one of the main topics of San Francisco businessmen.

"Personally," says Mr. Berndt, "I see no reason why the proposition will not be carried through. Honolulu should prove a fruitful field in the passenger service for a fast boat like the Great Northern."

## BIG WATER PLAN HELD PRACTICAL BY J. H. HOWLAND

Former Superintendent, Now Engineer of New York, Inspects Situation Here

### SAYS \$1,500,000 NOT TOO MUCH FOR SUPPLY

Does Not Believe Tunneling Into Nearby Hills Will Harm Present Artesian System

Strong indorsement of the theory that a big water supply for Honolulu should be secured by tunnelling into the nearby hills is given by J. Hastings Howland, formerly head of the local waterworks and now an engineer for the National Board of Fire Underwriters, with headquarters in New York.

Mr. Howland has just completed a visit to the territory after an absence of several years. He has never lost his interest in engineering problems of Honolulu and while here was particularly interested in the water question.

Just before sailing for the coast on the Ventura last Thursday he gave to the Star-Bulletin a statement on the water problem in the form of a letter to this paper and the public. He commends the discussion of the city water questions in the Star-Bulletin and the lead this paper has taken in drawing to public attention the necessity for constructive engineering brains to get to work on the pressing problems of future supply.

Mr. Howland's letter is as follows: Honolulu, T. H., Aug. 12, 1915.  
To the Editor of the Star-Bulletin, and the Honolulu Public:

Being superintendent of the Honolulu waterworks from 1903 to 1907, and for the past seven years engaged as engineer for the committee on fire prevention of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, it is with special interest that the undersigned has read the several interviews, letters and editorials that have recently appeared in your columns with reference to an improved water supply for the city of Honolulu, and improved an opportunity of making a hurried investigation of the development work at Waihole tunnel and of the surface indications

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## MARINES ABOARD MARYLAND MAKE GREAT RECORDS

Captain Kittelle, in Speech to Crew This Morning, Tells of Work on Fort Barry Range

As a result of the splendid firing of the marine detachment of the cruiser Maryland over the army range at Fort Barry, Cal., 45 marines of a detachment of 52 qualified, four as expert riflemen, seven as sharpshooters and 34 as marksmen. On the navy course all but two, 50 out of 52, qualified as marksmen.

The marine detachment is under the command of Captain Charles T. Westcott, U. S. Marine Corps, and has an enviable record for efficiency. During the last target practise the Maryland held, the marine manned the three-inch guns and succeeded in winning second place over the rest of the fleet. At the last admiral's inspection, the commander-in-chief of the Pacific fleet, Admiral Howard, sent a commendatory letter to the Maryland for the splendid all-around showing made by her marines. Captain Westcott has received two commendatory letters from the major-general commandant since he assumed command of the Maryland marines. First Sgt. Guy Moter is his able assistant.

Calling the crew off this morning

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## SPRECKELS YACHT MAKES HAWAII IN NINE DAYS RUN

Hilo, Hawaii, Aug. 14.—John D. Spreckels' private yacht, the Venetia, arrived at Hilo last evening, making the trip from San Diego, though machinery trouble necessitated the use of only one boiler for the trip.

On board are Mr. and Mrs. John D. Spreckels, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Freeman and Richard Ivers, secretary of C. Brewer & Company of Honolulu. The party left for the volcano this morning. They will probably leave Hilo on the yacht on Tuesday, and during their cruise will touch at Maui ports, at Honolulu, and then go on to Kaula.

(Special Star-Bulletin Wireless)

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## MEXICAN STATES ARE REPUDIATING BOTH 'GENERALS'

Large Part of Republic Breaking Away From Either Villa or Carranza

### ANTI-FOREIGN DISORDERS INCREASE AT VERA CRUZ

Carranza Removes Mayor of City; Outlaw Bands Reported Raiding Arizona

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)  
EL PASO, Texas, August 14.—Authoritative news has been received here that the military commanders of Sinaloa, Tepic, Chihuahua, Oaxaca and

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Gen. J. Isabel Robles, who has been indicated as the probable head of the Villa army, in succession to Gen. Villa, should that commander be unable soon to achieve a victory which will place his forces in a more favorable position.

Guerrero and probably of Durango, have refused to recognize the authority either of Gen. Villa or of Carranza.

It is reported that these states will break away from the control of either of the two claimants to the dictatorship.

WILSON MAY VISIT CIVILIANS TRAINING

(Associated Press by Fed. Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 14.—It is possible that the president will accept the invitation of Maj. Gen. Wood to visit the citizen's camp at Plattsburg, N. Y., where civilians are being trained in military fundamentals.

CARRANZA DOMINEERS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., August 14.—News has been received here that Gen. Carranza has removed the mayor of Vera Cruz, and that anti-foreign demonstrations are breaking out in the port.

Gen. Funston reported today that the outlaws who have been making trouble along the border are principally Carranza officers and soldiers "doubtless acting without authority," and that they have mostly been driven back into Mexico.

CITIZENS ANXIOUS

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)  
SAN ANTONIO, Texas, August 14.—A committee of citizens today conferred with Gen. Funston, in command of the border forces, and reported that he will recommend that a battery of artillery be sent to Brownsville on account of disturbing conditions near there.

LAWTON, Oklahoma, Aug. 14.—Up on orders from Gen. Funston, Batteries B and E of the 5th Field Artillery will entrain for Brownsville.

OUTLAWS MAKE RAIDS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)  
NOGALES, Ariz., August 14.—It is reported here that Mexican soldiers have crossed the border 15 miles west and are slaughtering cattle on American ranches.

An auto posse has started to the scene.

OPPOSITION GOING TO MAKE TROUBLE FOR OKUMA CABINET

(Special Cable to the Hawaii Shipper.)  
TOKIO, August 14.—The Seiyukai or anti-government party held a mass meeting last night in the Shintomi theater to protest against Premier Okuma and his recently formed cabinet. Prominent leaders of the party were present at the meeting, and plans were formed to spread dissatisfaction among the common people by the public press and by speeches.

Most of the country is standing firm for the Okuma policy.

## GERMAN RAID ON SUEZ CANAL FRUSTRATED; MACKENSEN IS HAMMERING BENT RUSS LINE

ALLIES SPECULATING WHETHER SLAV ARMIES WILL BE ABLE TO HOLD SECOND DEFENSE FRONT—FATE OF PETROGRAD MAY DEPEND ON IT—PARIS SAYS ATTACKS ON WESTERN FRONT REPULSED WITH HUGE LOSSES

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless)

PARIS, France, Aug. 14.—A French cruiser has successfully bombarded the German shops at Jaffa, where munitions and boats were being collected and constructed preparatory to a big raid on the Suez Canal, probably to be carried out in conjunction with Turkish land forces.

## Allies Anxiously Await News of Russian Chances on Second Line

LONDON, England, Aug. 14.—With the German generals hammering hard at the Russians and the latter trying to settle down on a defensive line, the capitals of the Allied countries are speculating whether the Russians will be able to hold the second line of defense. This centers around Brest Litovsk. The increasing pressure on the right may force the Russians to retreat again.

## Gen. von Mackensen Swinging North

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless)  
BERLIN, Germany, Aug. 14.—Official—Gen. von Mackensen, commanding one of the German armies in Poland, has swung northward toward the Radzyn-Vladova line.

On the west the Crown Prince and his men are hammering at the French line in the Argonne.

## American Cotton Ship Held at Bremen

BREMEN, Germany, Aug. 14.—The American bark Pass of Balmaha is held here. The bark was seized while carrying cotton for Archangel. The German authorities say it is being detained pending a decision in the case of the Dacia, which may be used as a precedent. The Dacia, carrying cotton from the United States to Rotterdam, was seized by the French and is still a subject of diplomatic negotiations. It was formerly a German boat and America contends that it makes no difference what the former ownership so long as its present ownership is bona fide American.

French Repulse German Attacks

PARIS, France, Aug. 14.—Official—Two attacks have been made by the Germans at the entire section around Marie Therese. They were repulsed with disastrous losses for the Germans.

BERLIN, Germany, Aug. 14.—Progress is being made by the German forces at Martinswerk, Flanders.

## More Steamers Are Submerged

LONDON, England, Aug. 14.—The British steamers Cairo, Princess Caroline, Fisher and Amethyst have been sunk by submarines. Four of the crew of the Princess Caroline are reported lost.

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## WILSON WANTS SHIPPING DATA FOR LEGISLATION

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., August 14.—The Interstate Commerce Commission will investigate shipping conditions between North American and Central and South American ports.

Data will be secured for the use of the president in the event that Congress attempts legislation for the benefit of trade.

CHINA AND STANDARD OIL CANNOT AGREE

PEKING, China, Aug. 14.—The Chinese government and the Standard Oil Company have been unable to agree upon a permanent contract for the exploitation of the Chinese oil fields.

## JAPAN DECIDING ON MANCHURIAN POLICY

(Special Cable to Hawaii Shipper.)  
TOKIO, Japan, Aug. 14.—Empire Okuma called a meeting of his cabinet last night to discuss the establishment of Japanese policy in Manchuria and Mongolia, as provided in the recent negotiations with China.

YOSHIHITO IS AT NYKKO

(Special Cable to Hawaii Shipper.)  
TOKIO, August 14.—Emperor Yoshihito left today for his summer villa at Nykko to spend his vacation.